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In re Patent Application of:
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For: METHOD FOR PROVIDING AN
EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT FOR
TRANSMISSION DEVICES IN RING
ARCHITECTURES THAT ROUTE MPLS
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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

MS Non-Fee Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests resubmission of the Second Preliminary Amendment as filed on February 11, 2004 in the above-captioned patent application. This response is filed again in accordance to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 15, 2004, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 15, 2004 (May 15, 2004 being a Saturday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested..

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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